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Art Unit: 1648

Filing Date: December 1, 2000

Examiner: M. Hill

Title: ELICITING HCV-SPECIFIC ANTIBODIES

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is an amendment in the above patent application in response to the Office Action of June 3, 2003.

Applicants request an extension of time for 1 month from September 23, 2003 to October 23, 2003. Enclosed is a check to cover the \$110 fee.

No additional fee is required.

Also enclosed: Return Postcard.

No. of Claims After Amendment		Most Claims Previously Paid			Extra Claims		Additional Fee		
A. Total Claims	72	-	72	=	0	x	\$18	=	\$0
B. Ind. Claims	1	-	1	=	0	x	\$84	=	
C. If amended to contain multiple dependent claims, add 280							\$280	=	\$
D. Total Amendment Fee (Total of A, B & C)								=	
E. If small entity, 50% reduction of Total Amendment Fee (50% of D)								=	
F. Total Amendment Fee (D minus E)								=	\$0

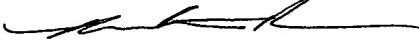
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

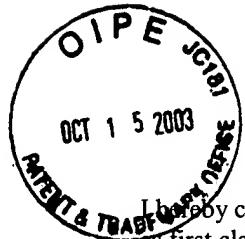
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 3, 2003, with a shortened statutory period of three months for response. Accordingly, a one-month extension of time in which to respond is requested and a petition and fee therefor accompany this response. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

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